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**ON PETITION**

In re Application of  
Karel Van Den Berg  
Application No. 09/642,828  
Filed: August 22, 2000  
Attorney Docket No. 8553/189

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This is a decision in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 4, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

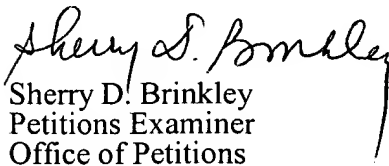
This application became abandoned for failure to timely file an Appeal Brief within two months of the August 21, 2003 date of the Notice of Appeal. A Notice of Abandonment was subsequently mailed on May 10, 2004.

The application is being revived for consideration of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114. Accordingly, the filing of the RCE on October 4, 2005, obviates the Notice of Appeal filed August 21, 2003.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Although the statement contained in the petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement will be construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3). Petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 3644, for further processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

  
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